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Appln. No.: 10/089,185

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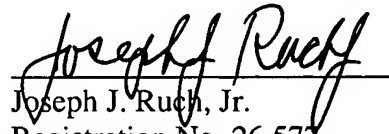
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**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
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| Application Number | 10/089,185 |
| Confirmation Number | 5134 |
| Filing Date | March 27, 2002 |
| First Named Inventor | Masahiro OKUDA |
| Group Art Unit | 1654 |
| Examiner Name | Michael V. Meller |
| Matter Number | Q69090 |
| Title | MEANS FOR STABILIZATION OF THROMBIN AND COMPOSITIONS |

RCE/1654
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
previously filed on _____
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other _____

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a
period of _____ Months
- b. ☐ Other _____

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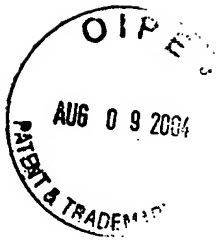
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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q69090

Masahiro OKUDA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/089,185

Group Art Unit: 1654

Confirmation No.: 5134

Examiner: Michael V. Meller

Filed: March 27, 2002

For: MEANS FOR STABILIZATION OF THROMBIN AND COMPOSITIONS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 9, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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